

## Lamoine Select Board

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## Minutes - May 19, 2022

Chair Jo Cooper called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Present were: Select Board members Larissa Thomas, Gary McFarland, Kathleen Rybarz, S. Josephine Cooper; Administrative Assistant Stu Marckoon and Code Enforcement Officer Rebecca Albright. Select Board member Nathan Mason had informed the board he was unable to attend.

Executive Session – Gary moved to enter executive session pursuant to 1MRSA §405(6)(a) on a personnel matter. Kathleen 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote in favor was 4-0. In at 6:31 PM Out at 7:00 PM.

<u>Agenda</u> Review/<u>Addendum</u> – No changes were proposed to the printed agenda or addendum.

Minutes – May 5, 2022 - Larissa moved to approve the minutes as written. Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote in favor was 4-0.

Expenditure Warrant 26 – The Board signed the warrant in the amount of \$113,091.98. Stu noted that the largest expenditure after the school warrants was to the Secretary of State as Versant registered their truck fleet.

<u>Cash & Budget Report</u> – Stu noted that excise tax collections have exceeded the entire yearly budgeted amount. A brief discussion followed.

**Code Enforcement Contract** – Stu said he would draft up a contract renewal with the Code Enforcement Officer based on the executive session discussion.

<u>Harbor</u> Survey – Stu noted that Harbor Master David Herrick had received a proposal to map out the moorings in the State Park Harbor. He asked if the Select Board wished to place the project out to bid. After a short discussion, Gary moved to put the matter to bid and have Stu develop an RFP. Larissa 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Vote in favor was 4-0.** 

<u>Parks</u> – Stu reported on complaints about an area of Lamoine Beach that had heavy seaweed decomposition and a red liquid splash on the outhouse door at Bloomfield Park. Both have been dealt with.

The Parks Commission has requested a larger sign for Bloomfield Park listing the rules. There was no objection to ordering a sign from White Sign.

**Road Projects** – Discussion centered on the potential cost of paving given the price of crude oil and asphalt. It was suggested the town wait until next spring to conduct the 2022/23 paving projects in hopes that prices will fall.

Larissa asked that those who do tree trimming on the road be mindful of the Browntail moth situation and report back.

Jo suggested that the list of work be assigned to the road commissioner to dole out. Gary Moved to hold off on paving until Spring 2023 and have the road commissioner seek bids from the local contractors on those jobs that were suggested to go to bid. Larissa 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Vote in favor was 4-0.** 

Jo said she got an inquiry about road sweeping. Stu said he spoke with the sweeping company last week and he expects them to be in town next week.

<u>Technology</u> Recommendation – Stu reported that the Technology Committee has recommended several purchases to improve the town hall internal network, storage and backup. Kathleen moved to accept the recommendation. Larissa 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Vote in favor was 4-0.** 

<u>School</u> **Budget** – Stu reported the school committee met yesterday, but he's not heard any update yet on a date for a school budget town meeting.

**Meeting with <u>Trenton</u> Select Board** – Jo said she has a meeting conflict on June 28<sup>th</sup>, which was offered as a joint meeting date. Stu said he would contact his counterpart in Trenton to see what we can come up with for a good date.

Community Resilience Grant – Larissa said she spoke with her state contact regarding the grant and said the application changes involve formatting. She said the town's application should be OK. She said all of the submittals in the first round were fully funded to the maximum, and Lamoine was one of only two small towns to qualify for the process. She said she would attend a webinar in June and update the application for the September submission deadline. Jo thanked Larissa for putting in a lot of work on the application.

Board of Appeals Request to use Town Attorney – Kathleen moved to approve the request from the Appeals Board to have the town attorney review the draft appeals board ordinance. Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>. Kathleen said she's not clear on how other ordinances would change and how the ordinance would work. Larissa said the idea is to replace those sections of existing ordinances with appeals sections and refer to the new ordinance. Vote in favor was 4-0.

**Memorial Day** – Gary said he's organizing Memorial Day ceremonies at the Veterans' Memorial for 10AM on Monday, May 30, 2022. In the event of rain, the ceremonies will be held inside the town hall.

**Other** – <u>Cemetery Flags</u> – Stu reported he, Jo and Jo's husband Donald placed the small flags at the veterans' graves around town earlier in the day.

<u>Speed Trailer</u> – Stu reported he got the speed monitoring trailer out of the garage and will likely deploy it next week.

<u>Conservation Commission Vacancy</u> – Larissa asked Stu to advertise an upcoming vacancy on the Conservation Commission. She said they have a young candidate who is willing to serve. Stu said he plans to contact appointees whose terms are expiring to inquire about being reappointed.

<u>Employee Reviews</u> – The Board said they would like to meet with part time employees in the next two meetings if possible to do reviews / contracts.

<u>Next Meetings</u> – Larissa reminded the board she will be out of town for the June 9, 2022 meeting. The board also plans to meet on June 30, 2022, though Jo will be out of town. The board will set the July and August meeting dates at their next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stu Marckoon, Adm. Asst. to the Select Board